Senator says Oswald was not sole plotter

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Senator Richaard Russell, a member of the Warren Commission which investigated the assassination of President Kennedy, said today that he never believed that Lee Harvey Oswald alone planned the murder of the President.

The Georgia Democrat said that although he was certain that Oswald fired the fatal shot, "I never did believe that he did it without any consultation or any encouragement whatsoever".

In an interview recorded in Atlanta, Senator Russell said that "too many things" had led him to doubt that Oswald had planned the assassination by himself.

His statements are contrary to the conclusion of the Warren Commission's report, which he signed, that Oswald was not part of any conspiracy, domestic or foreikn, to assassinate President Kennedy.

Unlike most of the writers who allege that Oswald was part of a conspiracy, such as Mr. Harold Weisberg in *Whitewash* and Mr. Mark Lane in *Rush to Judgment*, Senator Russell apparently considers that there was communist involvement in the assassination.